

MINUTES
OF THE
SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
AT THEIR
SESSIONS IN CHARLESTON, S. C.
NOVEMBER, 1846.
WITH
AN APPENDIX.

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MINUTES.

FIRST SESSION.

CHARLESTON, November 12, 1846, }
7 o'clock, P. M. }

THE SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA met, according to adjournment, in the Lecture Room of the 2d Presbyterian Church, Charleston, and was opened with a sermon by the Moderator, Rev. A. W. Leland, D. D., from 1 Cor. 9 ch. 22d v. "I am made all things to all men that I might by all means save some."

Constituted with prayer.

PRESENT.

Presbytery of South Carolina.

Ministers.	Ruling Elders.	Churches.
A. W. Ross,	John B. Bull,	Willington,
J. Hillhouse,	Gen. J. Gillam,	Rock,
E. Cater,	J. W. Simpson, M. D.,	Laurensville,
T. L. McBride,	A. G. Campbell,	Liberty Spring
S. S. Gaillard,	G. W. Glenn, M. D.,	Avaleigh.
J. McLees.		

Presbytery of Bethel.

P. E. Bishop,	John E. Torbit,	Catholic,
W. B. Davies,	John Poag,	Fishing Creek,
John Douglass,	W. P. McFadden,	Hopewell.
J. R. Gilland,		
William Banks,		
F. Jacobs,		
W. P. Harrison,		
L. W. Curtis,		
J. R. Baird		

MINUTES OF THE

Presbytery of Harmony.

Ministers.	Ruling Elders.	Churches.
W. Brearley,	Joseph B. White,	Sumterville,
T. R. English,	David D. Wilson,	Indiantown,
W. M. Reid,	H. D. Shaw,	Williamsburg,
A. G. Peden,	J. mes K. Douglass,	Camden,
P. Pierson,	M. H. Plowden,	Harmony,
S. Donnelly,	William Harris,	Salem, B. Riv,
D. J. Auld,	Charles B. Douglass,	Horeb,
M. D. Fraser,	E. M. Gregg,	Mount Zion,
G. C. Gregg,	David Milling,	Lebanon.
J. P. McPherson,		
J. J. DuBose,		
G. C. Logan,		
S. H. Hay,		
S. S. Davis, D. D.		

Presbytery of Charleston.

A. W. Leland, D. D.,	
Geo. Howe, D. D.,	
J. H. Thornwell, D. D.,	
T. Smyth, D. D.,	John Caldwell, 2d Pres. Ch. Charleston,
Edward Palmer,	Archibald Compbell, Walterboro',
B. M. Palmer, Jr.,	Andrew Crawford, 1st Pr. Ch. Columbia,
R. C. Ketchum,	Hugh Wilson, John's Island,
J. B. Dunwody,	David Ardis, Beech Island,
W. L. Hughes,	
J. B. Adger,	
J. F. Lanneau.	

ABSENT.

Presbytery of South Carolina—J. B. Kennedy, Hugh Dickson, Henry Reid, D. Humphreys, W. Carlile, J. L. Kennedy, E. T. Buist, P. H. Folker, G. W. Boggs, S. B. Lewers, W. H. Harris, D. McNeil Turner, J. F. Gibert, W. McWhorter, W. H. Davis, J. McKittrick, Z. L. Holmes, E. F. Hyde, C. B. Stewart.

Presbytery of Bethel—R. B. Walker, S. L. Watson, J. H. Saye, A. H. Caldwell.

Presbytery of Harmony—J. Harrington, J. C. McFarland, A. Buie, R. B. Campbell, D. McQueen, J. Brown, J. C. Coit, D. Frier-son, J. L. Wilson.

Presbytery of Charleston—Joseph Wallace, J. L. Merrick, R. Q. Way.

The roll being completed, Rev. J. H. Thornwell, D. D., was chosen Moderator, Rev. B. M. Palmer, Jr. was appointed temporary Clerk, and Rev. F. Jacobs, Reading Clerk. Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SECOND SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M. }
November 13, 1846. }

Synod met and was opened with prayer.

The minutes of last evening were read and approved. The absentees from the last stated meeting, who were present, rendered their several excuses, which were sustained.

On motion, it was resolved, That hereafter it be the standing rule of this body, that Churches not represented by a Ruling Elder, be regularly registered in the minutes as absent, precisely as in the case of Ministers.

Letters from Rev. E. F. Hyde and Rev. Z. L. Holmes were read, containing reasons of absence from present sessions of Synod, which reasons were sustained.

Rev. B. Gildersleeve and Rev. Dr. Atkinson, of the Synod of Virginia, Rev. H. R. Wilson, M. D. of the Synod of Northern India, and Rev. Whiteford Smith, of the Methodist Church, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members. Rev. J. Brown appeared in Synod, and having assigned satisfactory reasons for absence at the last stated meeting, and for tardiness at the present sessions, took his seat.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following committees, to-wit:

Bills and Overtures.—Ministers, T. R. English, P. E. Bishop, R. C. Ketchum, J. Hillhouse, John Douglass. Elders, Dr. Simpson, W. P. McFadden, Wm. Harris.

Judicial Committee.—Ministers, D. J. Auld, A. W. Ross, S. Donnelly, T. L. McBride. Elders, Gen. J. Gillam, James K. Douglass, Archibald Campbell.

On the Narrative.—Ministers, M. D. Fraser, W. B. Davies. Elder, Dr. Glenn.

Devotional Exercises.—T. Smyth, D. D., Rev. P. Pierson, and Elder, John Caldwell.

On Minutes of General Assembly.—Ministers, G. C. Gregg, J. J. DuBose. Elders, John E. Torbit, Andrew Crawford.

On Finance.—Gen. Gillam, Andrew Crawford, Elders; L. W. Curtis, Wm. Banks, Ministers.

Records of South Carolina Presbytery.—Ministers, Geo. Howe, D. D., J. R. Gilland. Elder, A. G. Campbell.

Records of Bethel Presbytery.—W. M. Reid, J. B. Dunwody, Ministers. Hugh Wilson, Elder.

Records of Harmony Presbytery.—John Douglass, S. S. Gaillard, Ministers. J. B. Bull, Elder.

Records of Charleston Presbytery.—E. Cater, W. P. Harrison, Ministers. John Poag, Elder.

The receiving of statistical reports and narratives from Presbyteries was made the order of the day for 4 o'clock, P. M.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary was read, accepted, and referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Rev. E. Cater, Rev. J. Brown, and A. G. Campbell, Elder.

A letter from Rev. Dr. Talmage, making a statement relative to Oglethorpe University; also, a letter from the Synod of Alabama in reference to the same, were read and referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Rev. J. Douglass, Rev. T. R. English, and John Poag, Elder.

Nominations were made of Directors of the Theological Seminary and of Oglethorpe University, and it was made the order of the day for to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, to enter upon the election.

The committee of conference with the Charleston Union Presbytery presented their report, as follows: "The committee appointed at the last meeting of Synod to confer with the Brethren of the Charleston Union Presbytery, and to communicate the desire of this Synod to remove, as far as the order and doctrines of the Church will permit, any difficulties which may lie in the way of their re-union with this body, beg leave to report; That the proposal of conference was cordially acceded to on the part of the Presbytery, who appointed in April last a committee on their part, consisting of Rev. Mr. Lee, Rev. Dr. Post, Rev. Mr. Dana, Rev. J. S. K. Legare, and Dr. Elliot. These committees had repeated interviews with each other, and much discussion of the differences which have existed between the Presbytery and Synod, and of the possible plans of union which could be devised. As the result of the whole, the following paper is presented, as the only plan on which the two committees have been in any measure able to agree, and as containing all which, in the view of the Presbytery's committee, that body will be willing to adopt.

“Whereas, a misunderstanding has for several years unhappily existed between the Synod and Charleston Union Presbytery, in relation to the action of said Presbytery under the reform ordinance of the General Assembly, which misunderstanding the Synod sincerely desires may be done away: And, whereas, the results of a conference between a committee appointed by the Synod and a committee deputed by said Presbytery, induce the hope that healing measures may be adopted without the sacrifice of salutary principles by either party: And, whereas, the said Presbytery steadily affirms that it understood the paper tendered to it on the 4th of December, 1838, as requiring its approval of the reform measures of the General Assembly as a test of its connexion with that body, and that in refusing to entertain such paper, it proceeded upon that view, and had no intention to decline adherence to, or in any way to disturb its connexion with the Assembly in which it had been represented, nor to renounce the jurisdiction of the Assembly, or the Synod; but, on the contrary, intended to maintain the position of adherence without approval: And, whereas, Synod did not intend to require approval, but adherence merely:

Therefore, in view of these facts, and with an earnest desire to terminate difficulties and restore peace and harmony within our bounds,

1. *Resolved*, That Synod will, and hereby does, resume the exercise of its jurisdiction over Charleston Union Presbytery.

2. That the roll of Charleston Union Presbytery be now added to the roll of Synod, and that the stated Clerk of Charleston Union Presbytery is hereby directed to furnish to Synod the statistical report of said Presbytery.

3. That as both the Charleston Union Presbytery and the Presbytery of Charleston occupy, for the most part, the same geographical territory, they be, and hereby are, united into one body, to be called _____ and that Rev. Dr. Leland, or in his absence the oldest Minister present, be the Moderator of this Presbytery at its first meeting.

4. That the records of Charleston Union Presbytery, and the records of the Presbytery of Charleston, be the common property of the united body.

The following substitute was proposed for the third and fourth resolutions, was adopted as such by the Charleston Union Presbytery, and was alone considered by the Synod in its discussion of this paper.

Resolved, That the Charleston Union Presbytery and the Charleston Presbytery shall retain their present separate organization, and that if necessary, a geographical line of division be drawn or described between them.

5. That the preceding preamble and resolutions shall not be binding on the Synod and the Charleston Union Presbytery, nor on either of them, until they are adopted by each body respectively.

The consideration of this report was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

On motion, Rev. Dr. Davies and Mr. J. K. Douglass were added to the committee on the depository of books of the board of publication.

It was resolved that the next annual meeting of this Synod be held in Columbia, at the Presbyterian Church, on the Thursday before the 3d Sabbath in October, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Synod then had recess till 4 o'clock, P. M.

THIRD SESSION.

FRIDAY, November 13, 1846, }
4 o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met. Rev. Drs. Boyd and Wightman, of the Methodist Church, Rev. R. Chamberlain of the Synod of Georgia, and Rev. A. A. Porter of the Synod of Alabama, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The committee of Bills and Overtures reported overture No. 1., being a resolution of the Presbytery of Charleston, desiring the appointment of a committee by Synod to take into serious consideration the best means of supplying the great destitution of the coloured population within the bounds of this Synod; which overture was placed on the docket.

The order of the day was taken up, viz : The hearing of statistical reports.

The Presbytery of South Carolina reported that they consist of twenty-two Ministers, and have under their care forty-one churches, three Licentiates, and one candidate; that they have dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Hugh Dickson and Greenville church; between Rev. Wm. H. Davis and the churches of Willington and Hopewell; and between Rev. Edwin Cater and the Rock Church; that they have dismissed the Rev. Edwin Cater to join the Presbytery of Harmony; Rev. Wm. H. Harris to join the Presbytery of Clinton, Mississippi; and Rev. Henry Reid to join the Presbytery of Chatahoochie; and the licentiate, Geo. W. Boggs, to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of East Alabama; that they have installed Rev. David Humphreys pastor of Good Hope church, Rev. John McKittrick pastor of Fairview Church, and Rev. E. F. Hyde, pas-

tor of the united churches of Avaleigh, Smyrna and Gilder's Creek; that they have ordained Rev. John McLees and Rev. S. S. Gaillard to the work of the ministry as Evangelists; that they have reinstated the Licentiate, Joseph Gibert, who had been dismissed by an order of this Presbytery; and have received one new church under their care.

The Presbytery of Bethel reported that they consist of twenty-one churches and eleven Ministers, of whom six are pastors, three are stated supplies, one is superannuated, and one is a Professor in a College and living out of their bounds; that they have ordained J. R. Baird, and installed him pastor of Hopewell Church, and have licensed W. T. Savage and J. M. Anderson as probationers for the Gospel Ministry; that they have dismissed Rev. A. H. Caldwell to join the Presbytery of Chickasaw, and Rev. John Douglas to join the Presbytery of Charleston; that they have dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. P. E. Bishop and the church of Ebenezer; that they have allowed J. Hillhouse, a licentiate of the South Carolina Presbytery, to preach as a stated supply to Salem and Neal's Creek Churches, within their bounds; and that they have under their care five candidates.

The Presbytery of Harmony reported that they consist of twenty-one Ministers, and have under their care twenty-five churches, one licentiate, and two candidates for the Ministry. They have dissolved the pastoral relation of Rev. S. H. Hay with the Winnsboro' church, and dismissed him to join the Presbytery of Charleston; they have dissolved the pastoral relation of Rev. M. D. Fraser with Lebanon church, and installed him pastor over Winnsboro' church; they have installed Rev. J. P. McPherson pastor over the church of Indiantown; they have licensed Mr. W. W. Wilson to preach the gospel; they have dismissed Mr. H. Lafferty to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Concord; they have received Rev. S. S. Davis, D. D., from the Presbytery of Hopewell; they have dismissed Rev. R. B. Campbell to join the Presbytery of Clinton; they have dissolved the pastoral relation of Rev. T. R. English with the Bishopville church; and have received Rev. Edwin Cater from the Presbytery of South Carolina.

The Presbytery of Charleston reported that they consist of sixteen Ministers and seven Churches, and have under their care one licentiate and three candidates for the ministry; that they have received Rev. S. H. Hay from the Presbytery of Harmony, and Rev. John Douglas from the Presbytery of Bethel; that they have received under their care Mr. Robert Logan, Candidate, from the Presbytery

of Lexington, Virginia, and have licensed him as a probationer for the gospel ministry ; that they have dismissed Mr. Thomas E. Peck, licentiate, to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Baltimore ; that they have ordained Mr. W. L. Hughes and installed him pastor of the church at Beech Island ; that they have received under their care a new church organized in the town of Hamburg ; and that the dismissal granted to Rev. Dr. Thornwell did not take effect, so that he is still a member of their body.

These Presbyterian reports, together with the narratives, were referred to the committee on the narrative.

The committee on report of the Board of Directors of Theological Seminary reported, recommending that said report be adopted ; also, that the deficit in the current expenses of the year be met from the subscription which has been taken up during the year to pay the debts of the Institution and to endow a third professorship, so soon as the first instalment should be paid, which was adopted. On motion, it was also,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be returned to Rev. Dr. Thornwell and Rev. B. M. Palmer, Jr. for the important services which they have kindly and gratuitously rendered during the past year, and that they be requested to continue their aid, as far as may comport with their official duties, until the departments of instruction in the Seminary shall be fully organized.

A report was rendered at the request of the Board of Directors of the Seminary by Rev. Dr. Howe, of a recent visit made by him to the Synod of Alabama, containing the following extract from the minutes of that Synod, which was referred to the Executive committee of the Board to be acted upon by them. "The committee appointed to take into consideration the claims of the Theological Seminary at Columbia, S. C., as presented by the Rev. Dr. Howe, would respectfully report that they have given to this important subject the reflection which their limited time has permitted, and beg leave to report for the consideration of Synod the following resolutions.

"1. That this Synod have great confidence in, and a warm attachment for this Seminary of our Southern Zion, and do most warmly and affectionately recommend it to our young men seeking the gospel ministry, as a place where safe, sound and able Theological instruction may be received.

"2. That a nearer and more intimate connexion between us as a Synod and the Theological Seminary at Columbia is desirable ; and that with a view to this result a committee of three be appointed to cor-

respond with the Synods of South Carolina and Georgia, and with the Board of Directors, as to the propriety and terms of such connexion."

A letter was read from the stated Clerk of Charleston Union Presbytery, containing a resolution of that body adopting the plan of union drafted by the two committees of conference, with the substitute proposed for resolutions third and fourth; this instrument to be binding on them so soon as it should also be adopted by the Synod. The consideration of this letter was deferred till the report of the Synod's committee of conference with said Presbytery should be taken up.

Mr. David Ardis, Elder from Beech Island church, appeared in Synod, and having assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, took his seat.

The report of Synodical committee of Education was read, and Rev. Dr. Atkinson, Agent for the Board of Education, was heard on that subject.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported the following scheme, which was adopted:

1. A religious service by the Synod to be held on Saturday afternoon, to be conducted by Rev. Messrs. E. Palmer, J. B. Adger and T. R. English.

2. A discourse preparatory to the communion, by Rev. F. Jacobs, on Saturday evening.

3. The sermon on Sabbath morning, by the Moderator; addresses at the communion table, by Rev. Dr. Howe and Rev. W. M. Reid.

4. Sermon on Sabbath afternoon, by Rev. Dr. Wilson.

5. Sermon on Sabbath evening, by Rev. J. B. Adger.

6. A Missionary meeting on Monday evening, to be addressed by Rev. Messrs. Adger, Atkinson and Wilson.

Synod then had recess till after public preaching to-night.

FOURTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, November 13, }
Half past 8 o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met after divine service.

The report of committee on Education was referred to a select committee consisting of Rev. S. S. Davis, D. D., Rev. D. J. Auld, S. Donnelly, and E. M. Gregg and M. H. Plowden. The committee on Finance made their report, which was referred to the same committee, to strike out the stated Clerk's salary, which he begged leave to decline receiving.

The committee on Bills and Overtures presented overture No. 2, being a question whether the separation of husband and wife, in the case of slaves who are sold apart by their owners, constitutes a divorce, so that the parties may again marry—which was put on the docket. Overture No. 1 was taken up, the resolution contained in it was adopted, and the following persons were appointed the committee. A. W. Leland, D. D., D. McNeil Turner, D. J. Auld, P. E. Bishop, ministers; and A. Crawford, D. D. Wilson, Dr. Simpson, elders—which committee was instructed to report at the next meeting of Synod. Synod then adjourned till to-morrow, 9 o'clock, A. M.

FIFTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, Nov. 14, 1846. }
9 o'clock, A. M. }

Synod met and was opened with prayer. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved. The order of the day was taken up, the election of Directors of Theological Seminary and of Oglethorpe University, which resulted as follows: for Directors of Seminary, T. Smyth, D. D., B. M. Palmer, Jr., D. McNeil Turner and J. H. Thornwell, D. D., Ministers; G. T. Snowden, Andrew Crawford and J. K. Douglass, laymen—for directors of Oglethorpe University, Rev. T. Smyth, D. D. Rev. George Howe, D. D. Dr. J. W. Simpson, Rev. T. R. English, Dr. G. W. Glenn, Rev. R. C. Ketchum, for three years; Rev. John Douglas, Rev. M. D. Fraser, for two years; Rev. S. S. Davis, D. D. Rev. E. Cater, for one year.

Rev. J. P. McPherson, and D. D. Wilson and Joseph B. White, elders, asked leave of absence after to-night's session, which was granted.

The Committee on Finance reported \$99 93 as the amount necessary to be provided for, and recommended that the Presbyteries be assessed as follows:

South Carolina Presbytery.....	\$29 00
Bethel Presbytery.....	21 00
Harmony Presbytery.....	25 00
Charleston Presbytery.....	25 00

which report was adopted.

Committee appointed by the last Synod to report on the duty of believing masters to offer their infant servants in baptism, presented their report, which was put on the docket.

The order of the day for 10 o'clock, A. M. was taken up, viz: the consideration of report of Synodical committee of conference with Charleston Union Presbytery—on the motion to adopt this report, the yeas and nays were called for, and were as follows:

Ayes. S. S. Davis, D. D. 1.

Noes. A. W. Ross, J. Hillhouse, T. L. McBride, S. S. Gaillard, J. McLees, John B. Bull, Gen. J. Gillam, Dr. J. W. Simpson, A. G. Campbell, Dr. G. W. Glenn, P. E. Bishop, W. B. Davies, J. R. Gilland, W. Banks, W. P. Harrison, L. W. Curtis, J. R. Baird, John E. Torbit, John Poag, W. P. McFadden, W. Brearley, T. R. English, W. M. Reid, A. G. Peden, P. Pierson, S. Donnelly, D. J. Auld, M. D. Fraser, G. C. Gregg, J. P. McPherson, J. J. DuBose, G. C. Logan, J. Brown, Joseph B. White, D. D. Wilson, H. D. Shaw, M. H. Plowden, William Harris, Charles B. Douglas, E. M. Gregg, David Milling, A. W. Leland, D. D., G. Howe, D. D., B. M. Palmer, Jr., R. C. Ketchum, W. L. Hughes, John Caldwell, Archibald Campbell, Andrew Crawford, Hugh Wilson, David Ardis, J. B. Dunwody, J. B. Adger, S. H. Hay, John Douglas. 55.

Excused from voting, J. K. Douglas, T. Smyth, D. D. and E. Palmer. 3.

Committee on the records of Harmony Presbytery reported, recommending that the book be approved to page 446, which was adopted. Synod then had recess till 4 o'clock, P. M.

SIXTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, Nov. 14, 1846. }

4 o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met; religious exercises were held according to the scheme reported by the committee; after which Synod had recess till after public preaching to-night.

SEVENTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, Nov. 14, 1846. }

Half past eight o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met; committee on records of South Carolina Presbytery reported, recommending the approval of the same to page 288, which was adopted.

Committee on Bills and Overtures reported overture No. 3, covering the following constitutional questions: whether a minister may

be installed over two or more churches at the same time and place ; whether it be sufficient that the absent church be represented in the installation services, or whether a distinct installation be required in each church—which was docketed.

Committee on the depository of books of Board of Publication made their report, which was accepted and placed on the docket.

Committee on minutes of the General Assembly reported, recommending that the day set apart by the Assembly, the first Sabbath in December, be observed as a day of special prayer for the increase of an educated ministry ; and that on that day, or as near to it as may be convenient, all the ministers of this Synod be directed to preach upon the duty of the church to train up an educated ministry ; which report was adopted. Synod then adjourned till Monday morning, at 9 o'clock.

EIGHTH SESSION.

MONDAY, NOV. 16, 1846. }
9 o'clock, A. M. }

Synod met and was opened with prayer ; the minutes of Saturday were read and approved. The moderator asked leave of absence for the remainder of the session, which was granted.

Overture No. 2 was taken up and committed to Rev. P. E. Bishop, Rev. Dr. Howe and Rev. Mr. Adger, to prepare a minute to be laid before Synod. Overture No. 3 was taken up and considered, and the following resolution passed—that a minister may be installed pastor of two or more congregations at the same time and place, by one service: provided each congregation be present either in person or by representatives ; if not, there shall be distinct installation services.

Rev. William Barnwell, of the Episcopal Church, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The special committee to whom was referred the report of the Synodical Committee of Education made their report, which was accepted and placed on the docket.

The report of the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions was read, in connexion with which Rev. J. B. Adger, missionary to Smyrna; Rev Dr. Wilson, missionary to Northern India, and Rev. Dr. Atkinson, addressed the Synod, when the report was committed to Rev. Dr. Howe and Rev. J. B. Adger.

The special committee to whom were referred certain papers relative to Oglethorpe University, made their report, which was docketed. A resolution was offered in reference to a proposed establishment of a Southern Theological Review, in Columbia, which was also placed on the docket—when Synod had recess till 4 o'clock, P. M.

NINTH SESSION.

MONDAY, November 16, 1846, }
4 o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met. Leave of absence was granted to the Rev. D. J. Auld, Rev. J. B. Dunwoody and M. H. Plowden, after to-night's session.

Committee on the records of the Presbytery of Charleston reported, recommending that the book be approved to page 411: which was adopted.

Narrative of the state of Religion was presented and adopted, and is as follows:—"From the information derived from our Presbyteries, we see that there is abundant cause why we should all, as ministers and churches, humble ourselves before God, and sincerely repent of our coldness and inefficiency. From most of our churches we have received the melancholy report, that it is not their privilege to speak of any special outpouring of the spirit of God among them. Many have had made to them but few additions—scarcely enough to fill the places of those removed by death: and thus, instead of increasing in numbers and fruitfulness, they are becoming weaker and weaker: and concerning others, we learn that strife and unhappy contention prevail among them. With sincere sorrow of heart we record these facts, and would make them the foundation of a most earnest and affectionate appeal to all our ministers and churches, to humble themselves in hearty repentance before God, and to cry mightily to him that his heritage among us may not be given over to reproach. But though a large proportion of our churches are in this cold and languishing condition, yet we have to record, and we do it with gratitude to God, that the Holy spirit has been granted to some of our churches. The Presbytery of Harmony reports, that among their churches there is evidence of very considerable improvement in piety, a greater interest is manifested in prayer meetings than formerly, and a deeper concern is evinced for the conversion of the impenitent. To one of the churches of this Presbytery, to wit—Beaver Creek, fifteen persons were added on one occasion; and

in the Female Academy, under the care of the Rev. J. J. DuBose, there exists at this time a most interesting state of religious feeling. Fifteen of the pupils of this institution have given hopeful evidence of a change of heart. The Presbytery of Charleston report that the state of religion is steadily progressive within their bounds, and that very large additions have been made to the 2d Presbyterian Church, Charleston, as the fruit of a powerful and interesting work of God's spirit among the people of that congregation. Of other churches in this Presbytery it is said, that although they have not received any extraordinary indications of the divine blessing, yet there are symptoms of spiritual health and spiritual influence, which give hope of large manifestations of divine favor.

It is matter of peculiar gratification that this Synod continues to feel an increasing sense of its obligation to preach the gospel to our colored population. Of this we have pleasing evidence in the action taken by several of our Presbyteries during the past year. The Presbytery of South Carolina supports one missionary, wholly devoted to this department of ministerial labor—the Presbyteries of Charleston and of South Carolina are united in the support of another—both of whom report very encouraging success. The Presbytery of Harmony, at their fall sessions, took such action on this subject, as will, it is hoped, with the blessing of God, result in the more effectual enlightenment of this people within their bounds; and, with but few exceptions, all our ministers devote a portion of every Sabbath to their spiritual interests.

The liberality of our churches has not been so strikingly manifested as in former years. This is to be ascribed, in part, to the great scarcity of provisions which prevailed in the upper districts of our State, in consequence of the unparalleled drought of the preceding year; and in part to the want of due fidelity on the part of our ministers in not sufficiently urging upon the people of their charge, the importance of the various religious enterprizes which, as a church, we have undertaken to prosecute. The remarkable success which has followed the attempt to endow a third professorship in the Theological Seminary, shews what our churches may be brought to do for our benevolent institutions, when their claims are zealously and faithfully laid before them. And may we not find another cause of this want of liberality in the fact that the monthly concert for prayer, and other means by which these subjects were kept before the minds of our people, have been within the last few years too much neglected?

But we should not fail to record in our review of the past year, a fact which should elevate our hearts in most devout gratitude to God ; it is certainly an instance of singular goodness on the part of God, that *not one* of our number has been removed by death during the past year. It becomes us then to make mention of the loving kindness of the Lord. "He has kept our feet from stumbling; our eyes from tears and our souls from death." "Bless the Lord, O our souls, and all that is within us bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O our souls, and forget not all his benefits."

The report of the committee in relation to Oglethorpe was taken up and adopted : it is as follows :

"The committee appointed on the communication from the President of Oglethorpe University, recommend that the suggestions contained therein be approved, and that the nomination by the Synod of Alabama of Rev. A. A. Porter to the Witherspoon Professorship in said University be confirmed.

Resolved, That as this Synod is solemnly bound by its own resolutions, and the compact entered into with the Synod of Georgia at the period of our separation, to complete the endowment of a South Carolina Professorship in the Oglethorpe University, it be recommended that this Synod take immediate measures for accomplishing this very important object, according to the plan already devised for this purpose.

Resolved, further, That Synod have heard, with devout gratitude to God, of the work of grace which has recently taken place in this Institution, whereby so many young men, the hope of the Church, have been brought to consecrate themselves to the service of God ; and encouraged by these evidences of the divine favor, we do now pledge our confidence and support to this institution."

Synod then had recess until after public preaching to-night.

TENTH SESSION.

MONDAY, November 16, 1846, }
Half past 9 o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met.

The committee on the Records of Bethel Presbytery reported, recommending that the book be approved to page 444, which was adopted.

The special committee to whom was referred the report of the Executive committee of Foreign Missions, reported the following resolutions, which were passed:

1. *Resolved*, That the Presbytery of Charleston be instructed to examine the coloured man, William Thomas Catto, with a view to his being licensed, if the Presbytery see cause, as a preacher of the gospel.

2. *Resolved*, That the Rev. J. B. Adger and Rev. H. R. Wilson, M. D. be requested by Synod to spend so much of their time as they may deem expedient, in visiting our churches as Lecturers and Agents in the cause of Missions.

3. *Resolved*, That the accounts of Mr. James Adger, the Treasurer, be approved, and that the thanks of this body be presented to him for his kind services, and that he be requested to continue the same.

4. *Resolved*, That Rev. T. Smyth, D. D., William Yeadon, William C. Dukes, John Caldwell, T. R. Vardell, James M. Caldwell, William Adger, William Harral, Wm. Dearing and John Dewees, be appointed the Executive committee of Missions for the following year.

5. *Resolved*, That the report be adopted, and that the recommendations of the report generally be submitted to the Executive committee to be carried out so far as practicable.

The following resolution respecting the proposed publication of a Southern Theological Review was taken up from the docket and passed:

Resolved, That this Synod has heard with pleasure that the brethren, resident in Columbia, have resolved upon the commencement of a Southern Theological Review, provided sufficient patronage can be obtained to justify the enterprise. They trust it will not be suffered to fail through want of encouragement, and do, therefore, cordially recommend it to the patronage of our ministers, elders and people, as important to the true interest of the Southern Church, as suited to subserve the cause of Christ, and to promote sound learning and doctrinal knowledge among us.

Leave of absence was granted for the remainder of the session to Rev. W. B. Davies, Rev. L. W. Curtis, Rev. Dr. Davis, Rev. J. Hillhouse, Dr. J. W. Simpson, H. D. Shaw, David Milling and Rev. A. G. Peden.

Synod adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

ELEVENTH SESSION.

TUESDAY, Nov. 17, 1846, }
9 o'clock, A. M. }

Synod met and was opened with prayer. The minutes of yesterday were read and corrected.

Reports were rendered by Rev. T. R. English and Rev. E. Cater of their agencies in behalf of Oglethorpe University, which were referred to Messrs. J. K. Douglass and W. T. McFadden, and to Messrs. John B. Bull and Andrew Crawford, as committees to audit the same respectively, and the latter committee was instructed to report which of the sums collected by Mr. Cater belong to the contingent, and which to the permanent fund.

The report of committee on the report of the Synodical committee of education was taken up from the docket and adopted, and is as follows :

“The committee to whom was referred the report of the standing committee on Education, beg leave to submit the following as their report :

It would seem from the documents before them that the contributions of the churches within our bounds, during the past year, to this cause so vital to the increase of labourers in the vineyard of the Lord, and consequently to the maintainance and diffusion of the gospel, have been deplorably diminished, even in comparison with former years.

The whole amount reported by the committee as coming into their hands, exclusive of the income from the scholarships, is little more than \$600 00. The reasons of this diminished interest your committee are not able minutely to assign. But they have reason to fear that its claims have not been brought before the churches as distinctly and urged upon them as solemnly as their great importance demands, and especially that from the small number of candidates for the ministry who have offered themselves for a few years past, an impression has prevailed that much pecuniary aid to this cause was not required.

From the statements made to the Synod by the Rev. Dr. Atkinson, general agent of the Assembly's Board of Education, especially in the Southern States, it would appear that this alarming apathy was spreading widely over our church ; and as an inevitable consequence the fiscal resources of the Board are at this time entirely inadequate to its necessities. In view of these facts your committee recommend to the Synod the adoption of the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That the Standing committee on Education who have had the management of this subject for several years be re-appointed,

and that the monies contributed to this object be forwarded to William Law, Esq., Columbia, subject to the control of said committee.

2. *Resolved*, That to meet the present urgent necessities of our beneficiaries, the first Sabbath in December be observed as recommended and directed by the General Assembly, and that in addition to special prayer and preaching, it be enjoined upon all our churches who have not previously attended to this duty to take up collections for this object and forward them as above directed. And if it should not be convenient for any of our churches to observe this Sabbath, that as early a day as possible thereafter be devoted to this object.

3. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to our Presbyteries to appoint a particular day in each year when this subject shall be brought before all the churches in their bounds, and if any churches should be providentially prevented from complying with this direction on the day specified, that they should improve as early an opportunity thereafter as practicable to comply with this order.

4. *Resolved*, That each Presbytery be required annually to report to the Synodical committee of Education what they have done and are doing for this cause, including in their report the number of candidates for the ministry under their care, the number of beneficiaries supported, and the amount of monies raised.

5. *Resolved*, That this Synod cordially welcome Rev. Dr. Atkinson, general agent of the Assembly's Board of Education, and earnestly desire him to visit as many of their churches as may comport with his convenience, to stir up their minds to greater zeal, fidelity, liberality and prayerfulness in this great work; and should an amount of funds beyond the necessities of their own beneficiaries be raised, Synod authorizes and instructs its standing committee of Education to remit the surplus to the Treasurer of the Assembly's Board of Education."

The committee appointed by the last Synod to report on the baptism of servants upon the faith of believing masters, made their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

"The committee on the baptism of servants, which subject was referred by the Presbytery of Charleston to the Synod at its last meeting, to obtain the decision of this body, beg leave to report, that in consequence of their dispersed state they have not been able to hold a meeting for conference on the subject during the past year, and that the object of Synod in referring it to them for the purpose of examination has, therefore, been frustrated. The following resolutions are however presented as containing what is the rule of our church by the decision of its highest judicatory, and as embodying what appears,

at least to a portion of the committee, to be the scriptural duty of believing masters towards those who stand to them in the relation of servants.

1. *Resolved*, That it is the duty of believing masters to train up their servants, as well as their children, in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

2. *Resolved*, That the principles of the Abrahamic covenant as to the circumcision of servants is still in force in reference to the infant offspring of those who stand to us in this relation; and that as baptism succeeds to circumcision, it is the duty of masters to dedicate such servants to God in the ordinance of baptism, and to do all in their power to train them up in a knowledge of the truth, and in the way of salvation through Christ.

3. *Resolved*, That though there are great and manifest difficulties in carrying out the principles of these resolutions, these difficulties have chiefly resulted from the long continued neglect of believing masters and of the church, and that these difficulties must be gradually overcome by continued and persevering efforts."

The same committee was appointed to prepare a pastoral letter on this subject, embodying the views submitted in the course of this discussion.

The Auditing committee, on the report of Rev. Mr. English, reported it to be correct, which report was adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That this Synod has heard with great pleasure that the Rev. T. R. English has been acting as an Agent for the endowment of the Carolina Professorship in Oglethorpe University, and that he has met with considerable success. This Synod would appoint Mr. English as their general Agent for this purpose, and that he receive ten per cent on the amount subscribed and collected, including his expenses, as a small remuneration for his valuable services, and that he be requested to urge the matter forward with all possible expedition.

Resolved further, That all the subscriptions be taken up in the form prepared by legal advice, and already approved by the Board and adopted to some extent, and that an investing committee be appointed to receive and invest all funds raised in accordance with the provisions of our Synodical compact; which committee shall report annually to this Synod, and through it to the Board of Directors of Oglethorpe, to whose Treasurer the annual interest to the full amount of the Professor's salary shall by them be remitted.

Resolved further, That our general Agent be requested to make collections wherever expedient or possible in the several congrega-

tions, for the purpose of meeting the immediate expenses of the Professorship and of defraying the expenses incurred by the agency.

Overture No. 2 was taken up and indefinitely postponed.

On motion, the Rev. Dr. Howe was appointed to communicate to the stated Clerk of Charleston Union Presbytery the decision of this body in relation to the proposed re-union.

Synod then had recess till after public preaching to-night.

T W E L F T H S E S S I O N .

TUESDAY, November 17, 1846. }
Half past 8 o'clock, P. M. }

Synod met.

The consideration of report of committee on establishing a depository of the Books of the Board of publication, was deferred till the next meeting of Synod.

It was resolved, That Messrs. James Adger and William C. Dukes be appointed an investing committee, and be requested to act as such, to receive and invest in this State all sums received and collected for the South Carolina Professorship in the Oglethorpe University, and that the Board of Directors be requested to furnish this committee with a full statement of the amount of funds already raised for this purpose, and the nature of their investment, that they may report to the Synod at its next meeting.

The Auditing committee on Mr. Cater's report of his agency reported it correct, and that the funds raised, amounting to \$765 00, belong to the permanent funds, deducting the expenses of the agency.

A letter from the Rev. B. Gildersleeve was read, in reference to which the following minute was adopted :

That while this Synod is still of opinion that a religious paper within our own bounds is most desirable and important, they unanimously express their continued feelings of kindness and regard to the Rev. B. Gildersleeve ; and until such paper can be established they would cordially recommend the Watchman and Observer to the continued and increased support of our churches.

It was resolved, that it was inexpedient at present to enter into the election of a third Professor in the Theological Seminary, as no portion of the subscription which has been raised for its endowment is yet available.

The stated Clerk and Mr. G. T. Snowden were appointed a committee to superintend the publication of the Minutes, and were instructed to publish and distribute as usual.

On motion, the thanks of Synod were returned to the church and congregation of the 2d Presbyterian church, Charleston, for their hospitable entertainment of its members during the present sessions ; and the Rev. Dr. Smyth was requested to make the same known, in whatever way he may deem best.

The minutes were then read and approved ; after which, Synod adjourned to meet in Columbia, at the Presbyterian church, on the Thursday before the 3d Sabbath in October, 1847, at 7 o'clock, P. M. Concluded with singing, prayer and the benediction.

J. H. THORNWELL, *Moderator.*

B. M. PALMER, Jr., *Temporary Clerk.*

APPENDIX.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND GEORGIA.

OFFICERS.

Rev. CHARLES C. JONES, D. D., *President.*

G. T. SNOWDEN, Esq., *Vice President.*

Rev. B. M. PALMER, Jr., *Secretary.*

WILLIAM LAW, (Columbia) *Treasurer.*

DIRECTORS FOR THREE YEARS.

Ministers.

T. Smyth, D. D.
B. M. Palmer, Jr.,
D. McNeil Turner,
J. H. Thornwell, D. D.
A. Church, D. D.
N. A. Pratt,
R. Chamberlain,
J. S. K. Axson.

Laymen.

G. T. Snowden,
Andrew Crawford,
J. K. Douglass,
E. A. Nisbet,
Barrington King,
H. V. Johnson,

DIRECTORS FOR TWO YEARS.

S. K. Talmage, D. D.
Charles C. Jones, D. D.
Charles S. Dod,
Francis Bowman,

W. L. Mitchell,
G. E. Thomas,
E. L. Newton,
J. D. Witherspoon,

M. D. Fraser,
E. T. Buist,
D. Humphreys,
R. C. Ketchum.

Wm. Adger,
J. A. Crawford,

DIRECTORS FOR ONE YEAR.

S. S. Davis, D. D.
G. H. W. Petrie,
J. S. Wilson,
N. Hoyt, D. D.
S. Donnelly,
T. R. English,
J. H. Saye,
John Douglas.

A. L. Alexander,
D. C. Campbell,
Job Johnston,
William Shear,
J. N. Whitner,
G. W. Glenn.

FACULTY.

Rev. George Howe, D. D., Professor of Biblical Literature.

Rev. A. W. Leland, D. D., Professor of Christian Theology.

——— Professor of Church History and Polity.

MINUTES

Of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, held in Columbia, November 5, 1846.

COLUMBIA S. C., Nov. 5, 1846. }
8 o'clock, P. M. }

The Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia met, according to adjournment, at the house of Mr. Palmer, the Vice President, G. T. Snowden, Esq. being in the chair. Rev. B. M. Palmer, Jr. was appointed Secretary *pro tempore*.

PRESENT.

Ministers.

Rev. S. S. Davis, D. D.
Rev. Edward Palmer,
Rev. S. Donnelly,
Rev. John Douglas,
Rev. B. M. Palmer.

Laymen.

G. T. Snowden, V. P.
William Shear.

The meeting was opened with prayer, by Rev. E. Palmer; the minutes of the last meeting were read, and the following committees were appointed.

Audits.—Messrs. Shear and Donnelly.

Ways and Means.—Messrs. Davis, Douglas, Shear, E. Palmer, to which the Vice President, G. T. Snowden, was, on motion, added.

Laws and Regulations.—Messrs. Davis and Donnelly.

Library.—Messrs. B. M. Palmer, Jr. and J. Douglas.

Buildings.—Messrs. Donnelly and Douglas.

A letter from the President, Rev. C. C. Jones, D. D., was read, containing his reasons for absence, which were sustained.

The Treasurer's report, and the reports of G. T. Snowden and David Ewart, and of J. McDowell and D. C. Campbell, investing agents, were received, read and referred to the committee of Audits.

The Librarian's report was read and referred to the committee on the Library, with a short account which was referred to the committee of Audits. The standing committee on Buildings presented their report, which was read and referred to the committee on Buildings, with a short account which was referred to the committee of Audits.

The Minutes of the Executive committee, together with a statement of the subscriptions obtained by the committee for the endowment of a third Professorship and liquidation of the debts of the Seminary, were read and accepted.

The Board then had a recess till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, to meet at Mr. Palmer's study.

NOVEMBER 6, 1846, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Board met.

Present as before, with the addition of Rev. A. Church, D. D., Rev. M. D. Fraser, and J. A. Crawford, Esq. Rev. Dr. Church was, on motion, added to the committees of Ways and Means, and also of Laws and regulations; Mr. Crawford to the committee of Ways and Means, and Rev. Mr. Fraser to the committee on Buildings.

The committee of Audits reported, in part, that from the vouchers furnished the papers they presented were correct; which papers were then committed to the committee of Ways and Means, who were instructed to meet immediately after recess in Mr. Palmer's study. Board had a recess till 3 o'clock, P. M., to meet at the Seminary.

3 o'clock, P. M.

Board met in the Library of the Seminary.

The report of the Professors was presented through the committee

of Laws and regulations as their report, and was read and accepted. The existing officers of the Board, to-wit:

Rev. C. C. Jones, D. D., President,

G. T. Snowden, Vice President,

William Law, Treasurer,

Were re-elected for the ensuing year; with the exception of the Secretary, Rev. B. Gildersleeve, removed, in whose place Rev. B. M. Palmer, Jr. was chosen.

Messrs. G. T. Snowden and David Ewart were re-appointed the investing committee for the State of South Carolina.

The committee on Buildings and the committee on the Library made their reports respectively, which were accepted.

Rev. Dr. Howe presented a statement of a visit recently performed by him to the Synod of Alabama, in behalf of the Seminary, upon which,

Resolved, That Dr. Howe be requested to prepare a written statement which shall be forwarded to both Synods. (For this statement see Minutes p. 10.)

The Executive Committee was also instructed to draw upon the Treasurer, when in funds, for the sum of \$ to repay to Dr. Howe the expense of his journey.

The committee of ways and means made their report, which was accepted; and the consideration of it was postponed till this evening. Board had recess till 7 o'clock, P. M., to meet at Mr. Palmer's study.

7 o'clock, P. M.

The Board met; present as before, with the addition of the Rev. R. C. Ketchum. A Standing Building Committee was appointed consisting of Dr. Howe, Dr. Leland, Mr. Law and Mr. Snowden—also, an Executive Committee, consisting of Rev. B. M. Palmer, Jr. Rev. Dr. Thornwell, Rev. Dr. Davis, Messrs. W. Law, J. A. Crawford, G. T. Snowden and S. Crane. The Committee appointed to attend the examination in July last, made their report, which was accepted, and the following persons were chosen to attend the examination in July next, to wit: Rev. Drs. Davis and Thornwell, Rev. Mr. Fraser, Messrs. Snowden and Wm. Adger.

The Report of the Committee of Ways and Means was considered and adopted, and is as follows:

“The Committee of Ways and Means beg leave to submit, as their report, the following statements.

1st. The Permanent Funds in South Carolina remain the same as last year, amounting to \$27,339 18.

In Georgia no changes have occurred in that portion of the funds in the hands of Mr J. McDowell, investing agent at Augusta, except that the amount invested in the stock of the Georgia Rail Road and Banking Company has paid a dividend of 4 per cent; the portion of this fund in the hands of Col. Campbell, of Milledgeville, also investing agent of the Board, has undergone a favorable change. The amounts collected by legal process, after deducting the costs of suit, have been re-invested, and have become productive; also the note of Mr. Atwood has been paid and invested eligibly. The whole amount of public funds in Georgia is upwards of \$26,000; of which, nearly \$25,000 is at present productive.

Col. Campbell is now engaged in negotiating a sale of the real estate in Glynn County, bought in for the Board last year, on foreclosure of mortgage, on terms more advantageous than was, at one period, anticipated. The Committee recommend that the Board authorize Col. Campbell to consummate this arrangement, if possible.

2. The Scholarships remain as they were at the last report.

3. The claims upon the Treasury for the year ending 1st of January, 1847, are as follows:

Due on Professors' salaries, January 1st, 1847.....	\$3,065 88
Due Mr. Law for monies advanced.....	588 87
Interest on the same.....	41 22
Interest due on note to Mrs. Hall, January 1st, 1847..	304 37
For repairs, and cleaning Seminary Buildings.....	81 08
For Library.....	11 14
<hr/> Total amount.....	<hr/> \$4,092 53

To meet these claims, there will be due interest on permanent Funds, in South Carolina and Georgia, January

1st, 1847.....	1,535 00
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which deducted from \$4,092 53, will leave a deficit of \$2,557 53, less by \$562 30, of which \$283 is still in Col. Campbell's hands, the remainder having been paid over by him to the Treasurer since making up his annual report, leaving the amount to be provided by the Board, on the 1st of January, 1847, \$1995 23. But as the Board have no means within their control to supply this deficiency, your Committee would recommend a reference of the whole matter to the Synods of South Carolina and Georgia, to adopt such measures in the premises as their wisdom may dictate. The success of the effort pro-

jected by the Executive Committee to raise by subscription, payable in three equal annual instalments, the sum of \$40,000, for the purpose of endowing a third professorship, and of relieving the embarrassments of the institution, will be reported to the respective Synods, and may perhaps supply the means of cancelling these claims. To meet the current expenses of the ensuing year, to wit: the professors' salaries and other minor contingencies, it is hoped that the income of the present investments may be nearly adequate.

In conclusion, your Committee would recommend that the Board concentrate their fiscal concerns in Georgia by appointing but one investing committee in Georgia; the members of which shall reside near each other, for the benefit of mutual council and ready co-operation in this important and responsible matter, so vital to the prosperity, not to say the existence of this institution; and as Augusta would seem, perhaps, to afford greater facilities for accomplishing this desirable object than any other locality, therefore, Resolved:

1st. That Robert A. Reid, Esq., be associated with their present investing agent, James McDowell, Esq.; and that they be the only investing agents of this Board in the State of Georgia.

2d. That said investing committee, to wit: Messrs James McDowell and Robert A. Reid be, and they hereby are, authorized to receive from Col. D. C. Campbell, resident in Milledgeville, the funds and all the papers and evidences of funds in his hands, invested for the Theological Seminary of the Synods of South Carolina and Georgia.

3. That Col. Campbell be, and he hereby is, requested and instructed to transfer to said committee, Messrs. McDowell and Reid, all the funds, papers and evidences of funds in his hands belonging to the Theological Seminary of the Synods of South Carolina and Georgia.

4th. That these Resolutions be communicated, by the Secretary of this Board, to the respective parties; and that he address a letter to Col. Campbell, expressing the thanks of this Board for the arduous and important services which he has gratuitously rendered to this Board, and for the friendship he has manifested to the Theological Seminary."

The Reports of the Board to the two Synods the Secretary was directed to prepare from all the Reports of the Committees in his hands, and to have them duly presented to the Synods respectively.

The minutes were read and approved—when the Board adjourned, to meet in Columbia, at the Seminary, on the Tuesday before the

meeting of the Synod of South Carolina, in 1847, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

B. M. PALMER, Jr.

Secretary of the Board.

REPORT

Of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary to the Synods of South Carolina and Georgia, Nov. 6th, 1846.

1. PERMANENT FUNDS.

Invested in South Carolina, per Messrs. Snowden and Ewart's account, same as last year, to wit:-----	\$27,339 18
Invested in Georgia, per J. McDowell's ac't.	\$13,489 59
Invested in Georgia, per D. C. Campbell's account.-----	12,854 55—26,344 14

Total of permanent funds in both States, exclu- sive of scholarships.-----	\$53,683 32
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Permanent fund in Georgia, not available for
interest at the present time, namely:

Real estate bought in for the Board on foreclo- sure of mortgage in Glynn county, erro- neously stated in last year's report at.-----	\$1,675 00—\$1,625 00
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Total amount of permanent funds available for interest.-----	\$52,058 32
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Investment in Georgia Rail Road and Bank-
ing company (\$2,750 00) reported last year
as unproductive, has recently yielded a divi-
dend of 4 per cent.

2. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Invested in South Carolina:

1. *Lanneau Scholarship*—invested in Bank
stock—estimated value----- \$2,200 00
2. *Scholarship of the Congregational and
Presbyterian Female Education Society,*
Charleston, in Bank stock—estimated val-
ue,----- \$2,200 00
3. *Telfair Timothy scholarship*, not yet re-
ceived-----
4. *Ellison Legacy* for education of indigent
students, invested in Broad River Bridge 525 00

\$4,925 00

Invested in Georgia :

1. <i>Nephew Scholarship</i> ,-----	2,500 00	
		<hr/> \$7,425 00—\$7,425 00

Total amount of permanent funds, including
scholarships, available for interest----- \$59,483 32

The interest accruing from the scholarships is
devoted exclusively to the support of young
men in the Seminary who need assistance,
while pursuing their Theological education.

3. CLAIMS UPON THE TREASURY.

Due on Professor's salaries to January 1st, 1847,-----		\$3065 85
Due Mr Law for monies advanced-----	\$588 87	
Interest on the same-----	\$41 22	\$630 09
Interest on Mrs. Hall's Bond to January 1st, 1847-----	304 37	
Sundry repairs and appropriation to Library-----	92 22	\$396 59
		<hr/> \$4092 53

Estimated receipts up to January 1st, 1847, from
permanent funds in South Carolina and
Georgia----- 1,535 00

Deficit on January 1st, 1847-----	\$2,557 53
less by \$562 30, of which \$283 00 is still in the hands of Col. Campbell, agent-----	\$562 30
	<hr/> \$1,995 23

4. REAL ESTATE.

The real estate bought in by the Board on
foreclosure of mortgage in Glynn county
has been offered for sale, and there is a rea-
sonable prospect that it will soon become
productive.

The interest on Mrs. Hall's bond has been paid
up to 1st April, 1846, leaving the principal
at that period----- \$6,522 43

5. LIBRARY.

The Board would report that 62 volumes have been added to the
Library during the past year, which makes the whole number now

in the Library 4,475 volumes, and that the books, from the sum appropriated last year for binding, are in an unusual state of preservation.

6. BUILDINGS.

The repairs which were ordered by the Board last year have been made, by which the buildings are put in a very good condition.

7. PROFESSORS'S REPORT.

The Professors present to the Board of Directors the following brief annual report :

"The last seminary year was marked by unusual health among the Students, and by their exemplary deportment and diligent and successful prosecution of their studies. All the prescribed exercises of the Institution and the various branches of instruction in the several classes were attended to as usual, with a few unavoidable interruptions. At the request of the Executive committee of the Board, Professor Howe was absent from the Seminary two or three weeks on an agency to obtain subscriptions to endow a third Professorship, and Professor Leland was engaged several weeks in an extensive tour in this State and Georgia to accomplish the same purpose. During these periods of absence on the part of the Professors, Rev. Dr. Thornwell and Rev. B. M. Palmer, Jr. rendered valuable aid in keeping up the regular exercises of the Students.

During the past year the whole number of Students in the Seminary has been thirteen; the three following, viz: Messrs. W. T. Savage, W. W. Wilson and T. Summer Winn, finished their regular course in July, received their regular certificates, and are now licensed preachers of the Gospel. Mr. R. E. Sherrill of the present senior class has been licensed by Concord Presbytery, N. C., and Mr. Groves Cartledge, who spent a part of the last year in connexion with the Junior class, has recently been licensed by the Presbytery of Hopewell.

The present year opens with more encouraging auspices than some former ones.

The following Students have already commenced their studies in the Junior class, viz.

Messrs. A. E. Chandler, Graduate of Davidson College.

T. A. Hoyt, graduate of Franklin College.

William Matthews, candidate of Flint River Presbytery.

Albert Shotwell, candidate of Flint River Presbytery.

Edward R. Ware, graduate of the University of Alabama.

Making the present number in actual attendance thirteen, while several additional Students are expected to come speedily. All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. HOWE,
A. W. LELAND."

It will be seen from the preceding tabular statement of the finances of the institution, that there will be a deficiency in the current expenses of the year ending January 1st 1847, of \$1995 23. As the board have no means within their control to supply this deficiency, they would recommend a reference of the whole matter to the Synods of South Carolina and Georgia, to adopt such measures in the premises as their wisdom may dictate. In connexion with this subject, it may be mentioned that the whole amount raised in the different churches for the contingent fund is somewhat less than \$125. Yet this fund is the only source from which this deficiency, which was anticipated and reported last year, could have been met.

The Board, through its Executive Committee, in obedience to the injunction of Synod, have very successfully prosecuted the raising of a subscription, in three equal annual instalments, for the purpose of liquidating the debts of the institution and endowing a third Professorship. But as there are parts of the Synod which have not yet been visited, and the term not fully expired in which it was resolved this effort should be prosecuted, the Board would not make at this time a formal report; a full statement will, however, be published at the end of the year by the Executive Committee, by the direction of the Board.

It has been deemed important to concentrate the fiscal operations of the Board in Georgia, and to have but one investing committee for that State, as they have for South Carolina; they have, therefore, associated Robert A. Reid, Esq. with James McDowell, Esq. both in Augusta, in the place of Col. D. C. Campbell, of Milledgeville.

A visit in behalf of the general interests of the Seminary has recently been accomplished by Rev. Dr. Howe, to the Synod of Alabama, a report of which was submitted to the Board. At their request a full statement will be made by Dr. Howe, to both the Synods of South Carolina and Georgia.

The annual examination of the Seminary in July last, was attended by committees of all the Presbyteries which compose the Synod of South Carolina, and a favorable report of the same was made to the Board by their own committee.

The following persons, members of the Board, go out of office this year, to wit:

Ministers.

T. Smyth, D. D.
 D. McNeil Turner,
 Edward Palmer,
 B. M. Palmer, Jr.
 A. Church, D. D.
 N. A. Pratt,
 R. Chamberlain,
 J. S. K. Axson,

Laymen.

G. T. Snowden,
 William Dearing.
 Thomas Wells, M. D.
 E. A. Nisbet.
 Barrington King.
 H. V. Johnson.

Whose places must be filled by a new election on the part of the two Synods of South Carolina and Georgia.

All which is respectfully submitted by the Board.

G. T. SNOWDEN,
President pro tem.

B. M. PALMER, Jr. *Secretary.*

Report of the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions,

*Made to the Synod of South Carolina at its Sessions in Charleston,
 November, 1846.*

We have now passed through the first year of our distinct and separate existence as a Synodical body, and it becomes our duty to make our first report of the doings of our Synod in the great and primary work of the evangelization of the world.

During the year collections are reported as having been made in the following churches.*

Presbytery of South Carolina	-----	\$81 75
Willington church	-----	40 00
Good Hope	" -----	29 00
Greenville	" -----	1 75
Broadway	" -----	7 62
Midway	" -----	3 76
Providence	" -----	22 50
Rocky River	" -----	21 00
Roberts	" -----	13 00
Rock	" -----	3 75
Lebanon	" -----	19 5
Fairview	" -----	10 57
New Harmony	" -----	3 00

*A few reports, too late for this, will come into next year's account.

Little Mountain church.....	5 00
Individuals	4 00
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	\$265 75
Presbytery of Bethel	
Purity church	\$59 94
Concord "	51 00
Bethesda "	12 00
Ebenezer "	10 00
Bethel "	15 00
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	\$147 94
Presbytery of Harmony,	
Mt. Olivet church.....	\$15 00
Camden "	66 76
Sumterville "	5 00
Beaver Creek "	21 00
Harmony "	50 00
Brewington church.....	12 50
Hopewell "	36 75
Mount Zion "	51 00
Concord " (Sumter)	20 00
Cheraw "	50 00
Darlington "	87 00
Winnsboro' "	86 00
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	\$501 50
Presbytery of Charleston,	
Charleston 2d church.....	800 33
Columbia "	200 00
Beech Island "	16 00
Walterborough "	35 00
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	\$1051 33
Presbytery of So. Carolina.....	\$265 75
" Bethel	147 94
" Harmony	501 50
" Charleston	1051 33
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Total from Synod	\$1966 52

The following churches are reported as having taken up part or all of their collections at the monthly concert :

2d Presbyterian Church,	Charleston,
"	" Columbia,
"	" Winnsboro,
"	" Walterboro,
"	" Cheraw,
Beech Island	"
Willington	" Abbeville.

The following Juvenile missionary efforts have been reported as included in the preceding sums, viz :

Young Ladies' School, Chesterville,	\$11 46
Hopewell Church Sabbath School collection	3 00
Walterboro' Presbyterian church Sabbath School	15 00
Juvenile missionary society of the 2d Presbyterian church	129 38

Besides these, there are female missionary societies which have contributed as follows, viz :

Female missionary society, Winnsborough	\$42 00
Young Ladies' School, Chesterville	11 46
The total sum received by the Treasurer of the Board in New York, from within our bounds, is,	\$1828 12 1-2
which with some subsequent additions would make about	\$2000

Mr. Adger, our Treasurer, reports the amount of \$2375 68, which includes several sums received from within the bounds of the Synod of Georgia.

From our statistical report it appears that there are within our bounds 93 churches, and about 7938 church members.

It thus appears that out of 93 churches on our Synodical roll, only 35 are reported as having made collections for Foreign Missions, either in the way of annual collections or at the monthly concert, while 58 out of these 93 churches are not reported as having contributed any thing whatever.

Now in our last report (and in some articles which were subsequently circulated throughout the bounds of this and all the Southern

Synods) it was fully proved that the taking up of collections for charitable and religious purposes is a distinct and specific ordinance of Christ, and a means of promoting spirituality and piety in the hearts of his disciples. This truth is not, we think, denied by any among us. It is also admitted that the great and primary end of the institution of the church is that it may act as the agent and instrumentality of Christ in proclaiming the "glad tidings" of "the glorious gospel" in all the world. And as Christ is Lord of his people and has "redeemed them by his blood" that they may be a "peculiar people, zealous for every good work, willing to communicate and ready to distribute;" and since they, and their faculties, and their means, are His, so that they are bound to "live not unto themselves, but unto Him who thus died for them," and since, therefore, the very first and foremost object which can demand the liberality of christians is the missionary cause, what are we to think of these 58 churches, and of the insignificant efforts made by many other churches, and by too many in all of them?

Are such churches and individuals doing their duty as christians and as churches? And are the ministers and elders of the churches doing what they can as those who are appointed to go before and lead the people "in the way they should go," and "provoke them" by their influence and example "to love and good works?" Are they discharging that duty which they have covenanted before God, angels, and the world, that they will perform in priority to all other claims?

These are very plain and solemn questions. It is not for your committee to "bring railing accusation" against any, nor to "charge any falsely;" but it is their duty to tell the truth and to "reprove, rebuke, and stir up your minds by way of remembrance, though ye know these things." Sure we are that these are questions which must present themselves to every one to whom these facts are made known; which must be answered by us as the authorized guardians and rulers of these churches; which must be answered "by every man's conscience in the sight of God;" which will press upon us in the hour of death, and when we stand before the judgment seat of that Divine Redeemer, whose we are and whom we profess to serve. Your committee trust they will not "make any man an enemy because they tell him the truth;" but even were this possible they would still be bound to say "whether it is right to hearken unto men or unto God, judge ye," and this all the more candidly, as we are bound to

tell the truth to every man, "whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear."

Your committee therefore urge this matter most solemnly upon the consideration of the Synod, of the churches, and of their "brethren in the Lord."

Another point which your committee have urged upon the attention of the churches, is the duty of interesting children in the missionary cause, of "training them" up both in "the nurture and admonition of the Lord," and the way in which this is to be done. They have caused some articles on this subject, also, to be circulated very widely throughout the bounds of this and other Synods, and are prepared to supply some copies of them in a compact form. In the expediency, necessity and scriptural obligation of this duty your committee have unwavering and increasing assurance, and yet no attention whatever appears to have been given to it within our bounds. They would, therefore, earnestly call upon their brethren to "search the scriptures whether these things are so," and if it is their duty to bring up their children in that way of holy and devoted consecration, obedience and active self-denying zeal in which they should go, to suffer them to be brought to Christ, that now in the days of their youth they may remember Him, and with their hosannas, and their infant lips, and their early zeal, praise and bless his name.

They would also again press upon all, the absolute necessity, in order to further these ends, of promoting the circulation of the missionary Chronicle and the Foreign Missionary.

This is due to our church whose operations they develope and record; and to our churches, since knowledge is the basis of action, and the regular perusal of these interesting periodicals will awaken zeal and promote in every christian heart a spirit of stronger faith, greater thankfulness, love to Christ and His cause, and a willing and ready liberality.

Such liberality is imperatively demanded by the command of God, the requirements of christian love, gratitude, and faith, and the pledge given to our church that in enlarging her missionary work, she would receive the certain and hearty co-operation of all the churches. And, yet, what is the present condition in which the body entrusted with carrying out these pledges are placed.

"It is proper to notice," say they, "that the first five months of the year have heretofore been the least productive; but after giving all due weight to this consideration, it is not without anxiety that we look forward to the close of the year. Our present situation is embarrassing; with an expenditure of \$7,500 a month, our receipts for July,

August, and September, were but \$9,863. The foreign missionary work can neither be enlarged nor contracted in a day. When our brethren are sent, they carry with them the pledge of the churches for their support; and if the facilities for carrying on their work are withheld, they had better have remained at home. It would indeed lessen the expense at all the missions, to stop the printing presses; to give up their journeys for preaching the Gospel; to disband their schools, and give up their female scholars to the infamy of the heathen temple service; to discharge their native helpers, and their native students for the ministry. But all these are parts of the missionary work, and none of them can be neglected without most serious injury to the whole.

“It was not without the most deep and careful deliberation, and much earnest prayer for Divine direction, that these enlarged operations were decided on, at the commencement of the year. The whole was submitted, in the report of the Board, to the General Assembly, for their advice and direction. With entire unanimity, their advice and direction were, to go forward; to strengthen existing missions; and to occupy new fields of labor. In a good degree this has been done; and it is cause of thanksgiving to God, and an encouraging evidence of the presence of his Spirit in the church, that so many of his servants have offered themselves, and have actually been sent “to speak unto the Gentiles that they may be saved,” and that a beginning has been made to remove the veil of unbelief from the house of Israel.

Having then given a cursory view of the missionary operations of the church, they add:

“Such, dear brethren, is an outline of the missionary work in which the church is engaged, and to which she has freely given her gold and her silver, and what is of far higher price, her sons and her daughters. For this her prayers have gone up to God, and she may well rejoice that in this service she has been permitted to take a part. From small beginnings, and in the face of much opposition, she has gone steadily forward, assuredly gathering, from the word and providence of God, that he had called her to this work. Who can doubt that the head of the church has already blessed these labors to herself? Every influence here tends strongly to promote the spirit of prayer, and the active piety of her members. In this are verified the words of the Lord Jesus, when he said “It is more blessed to give than to receive;” and in another scripture it is said: “He that watereth shall be watered also himself.” It is impossible it could be otherwise. Here are nearly one hundred labourers, from the bosom of the church

sent to the benighted heathen, and remembered in the daily prayers of God's people ; besides two native ministers and fifteen native assistants, raised up from the heathen. Forty-four of these brethren are the ministers of the church, and three are physicians. Under their care are five high schools, with 401 scholars ; nine boarding schools, with 335 scholars ; and fourteen elementary schools, with 384 scholars. Every one of these is connected with, and forms a part of the great measure of raising up, with the blessing of God, a native ministry. The printing presses annually furnish from twelve to fifteen millions of pages of the word of God, and religious tracts, in languages spoken by more than half the human family. The native churches, though feeble, and as yet of few converts, are as lights shining in a dark place ; and this great system of agency for good, on the part of our beloved church, is but commenced. A word from Zion's King to the hearts of his people would be as life from the dead to this and all the other cherished interests of the church. What we want, therefore, is the influence of the Spirit of God ; a genuine revival of religion, such as is spoken of in the word of God, and such as is promised to the prayers of his people. Here is our hope, our sure ground of encouragement. It is not by the organization of the church, for the work at home or abroad, however perfect and efficient that may be :—it is not by the learning and talents of her ministers, or the unity of sentiment that so happily prevails among them ;—it is not by the standing, or number, or influence of her members, that souls can be saved, or God's glory promoted. All these are blessings, when rightly improved, and we should be thankful that we share them so largely ; still, in themselves, these things are to be accounted as nothing—"It is not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts." How appropriate to our wants are the prayers of the church of old : "O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years ; in the midst of the years make known ; in wrath remember mercy." "Wilt thou not revive us again, that thy people might rejoice in thee ?" "Turn us again, O Lord of Hosts ; cause thy face to shine, and we shall be saved." "God be merciful to us and bless us, and cause his face to shine upon us, that thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations."

Now this committee, early in the Spring, by a most careful estimate showed that the amount of funds wanted for the whole year would be \$84,000, besides the sums estimated to be received from the Bible and Tract Societies for printing in India and China, and from the Government for India Schools. The expenditures for five months confirm this estimate. To meet this expense the receipts from all sources for

five months, and including the balance on hand of \$1949 35, have been \$23,897, leaving to be received before the 1st of May next, \$60,103.

In addition to these general objects before our church, there are two objects which seem to claim peculiar interest at our hands.

A coloured man of the name of Harrison Ellis and his family have been purchased by the churches in the Synods of Alabama and Mississippi. His acquirements and learning, in his circumstances, are most remarkable; and his christian character is most highly appreciated by the brethren who have so successfully interested themselves in his behalf. He has been licensed to preach the gospel and ordained as a missionary to Africa by the Presbytery of Tuscaloosa. It is his highest desire to carry the good news of the Saviour to benighted Africa. He is an accepted missionary of our Board, and is to be stationed at Settia Kroo in the colony of Liberia. A well qualified coloured female teacher, will also be ready to go at the same time.

Now as these Synods have been at an expense of \$2500 for the brethren and sisters, it has been thought by many that it would be very seasonable and proper, and adapted to make a most favorable impression upon the christian world, for our Synod to appropriate the amount of \$500 towards their outfit or support, and they therefore recommend such an appropriation to this Synod.

There is also a free coloured person in connexion with the second Presbyterian church in Charleston, who has united with it after a full examination and a conscientious adoption of the standards of the Presbyterian church. He is a man of very respectable attainments in English Literature, and appears to be wholly devoted to the work of promoting the salvation of souls, and especially the advancement of the missionary cause, which he has zealously advocated among his coloured brethren. His heart has long been set upon the evangelization of his brethren in Africa, concerning whom, and the missionary labours among them, he has fully informed himself. From this "labour of love" he has only been withheld by the claims of usefulness in the city. But he has at length concluded that he is conscientiously required to go forth to this dark and benighted land. To enable him to do this, an opening has been presented by an important society. But he would greatly prefer to go out, *if possible*, under the care of our own church, and the Executive committee are disposed at once to receive him as a missionary and send him forth in company with the individuals referred to, if at all sustained by the churches. Your committee, therefore, would recommend that a further appropriation of five hundred dollars be made, out of the

funds now in our Treasurer's hands, towards the outfit and support of this man, whose name is William Thomas Catto; and that our churches, and the colored members especially, be invited to make contributions towards his regular and permanent support.

This leads your committee to press upon the Synod the claims of the colored people within their own bounds. There are, it is admitted, thousands of the African race in this State, to whom little or no opportunity is afforded of becoming adequately instructed in the plan and method of salvation, and of becoming themselves partakers of its infinitely important and priceless blessings. Like the poor Samaritan, they are in circumstances of great spiritual distress. Who then are their neighbors? Who, *in the spirit of Christ*, are bound to sympathize with them, to come to their spiritual relief, and to bring them to Christ "the good physician," and the true and only refuge opened up by his infinite mercy, for the reception and recovery of all who have been lost and ruined by the fall, and sore maimed and wounded by the great adversaries of God and men? Shall this Synod say "we are not our brother's keeper," and thus "pass by on the other side," and that too, while they have generally determined that our own church at the North cannot be allowed, either by men or money, to aid and assist us in the work of the religious instruction of the colored people? Are we not then irresistably called upon to enter upon a vigorous missionary enterprize, having for its object to evangelize and instruct this people? Much, we are aware, is doing in this matter, and increasingly so every year, but oh how much "land yet remains to be possessed!"

What then restrains and withholds us from going up to "possess the land" which is "given" by God "to His Son as his inheritance" and as "His possession," and which we are commanded, as the sacramental host of God, to secure for Him, in His name, and by His authority? *Doctrinally*, we believe that such is the purpose of God. *In prayer* we not only acknowledge Christ's right and Christ's command and Christ's promise, but also our duty, our determination and our privilege. But while in *words* we thus acknowledge Christ's prerogative and will, how lamentably do we, "in our *works* deny Him," by refusing to come up with our men, our money and our efforts, and in full accordance with our means and opportunity, "to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

It is not the opinion of your committee—but **THE JUDGMENT OF GOD**—that covetousness, or an inordinate desire and regard for earthly things, in preference to the interests and claims of Christ and His cause—is one of the greatest lets and hindrances to the progress of the gospel, and its diffusion by those who possess it to those who have it not. We need not quote the language of scripture in

reference to this matter. Suffice it to say, that self-denial, self-crucifixion, the absolute devotion of body, soul and spirit, that is, of the time, talents, property, influence, energies and activity, all that we are, all that we have, all that we can do—this, we say, is indubitably the “**CROSS**” which every man must take up, in order to become a true disciple and follower of Christ. Any man, therefore, who loves his family, his houses or lands, his business or farm, his wealth or his comfort, “more than God who is over all and blessed forever,” or “more than Christ”—can be none of His. Such a state of heart which can withhold from the claims of Christ and his cause, either property or energy, is, in the sight of God, that “covetousness which is idolatry”—that rebellion which will not have God to reign over us; the indifference of those who are not for Christ, and are, therefore, against Him;—that “faith which being without works is dead,”—and that profession of knowing Christ, while in work and act and conduct, we deny Him. It is therefore a most serious and solemn fact, that while we live in the enjoyment of so much personal comfort, while we can support the ministry within our own bounds, and provide for the comfort, education and temporal welfare of our children, we “render to the Lord” so small a tribute; do so little for the spread of his gospel; and that a majority of our churches are reported as having made no contribution to this cause during the past year.

Your committee, therefore, urge most solemnly upon Synod the deep consideration of this subject, that some measure may be employed to bring their duty properly before our churches, and whether it is not the bounden duty of Synod to employ some one of their number, or some other suitable person to visit the churches, and to authorize the committee in this way, and by circulating information as far as possible, to lead our churches to act in accordance with the great duty and privilege to which they are called by Christ and his church.

THE SOUTHERN BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS,

In account with James Adger, Treasurer.

Nov. 14, 1845—By cash, through Sydney Crane, Esq., collections of Monthly Concert, Presbyterian Church, Columbia.....	\$70 00
Nov. 15—By cash, through Mr. G. W. Lee, contribu- tion of a member of the Presbyterian Church, Sum- terville.....	5 00
By cash through Mr. John R. Dow, collections, Monthly	

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Concerts, 1st Presbyterian Church, Augusta, for the last six months.....	32 00
Nov. 17—By cash, through Mr. John B. Bull, from a friend, to be appropriated, by Rev. H. R. Wilson, for the support of orphan girl, Catherine Stokes, in the school at Futtegurh.....	10 00
Nov. 22—By cash, through Mr. Jos. W. Roberts, Monthly Concert, collection in Church, at Jonesville, Liberty county, Georgia.....	18 00
Nov. 24—By cash, through Rev. John Douglas, as follows: Annual contribution, Purity Church, Chester District.....	49 04
Annual contribution, Concord Church, Fairfield District.....	11 50
From the Young Ladies at Mr. McWhorter's school, Chesterville.....	11 46
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Dec. 8—By cash, through Rev. Thomas Smyth, Monthly Concert collection, 2d Presbyterian Church, 7th December.....	42 00
Dec. 9th—By cash, through C. H. Lanneau, Esq. Executor, from estate of Mrs. Ann Crandall.....	7 50
By cash, through Rev. Thomas Smyth, Monthly Concert collection, 2d Presbyterian Church, 2d November, omitted.....	36 20
Jan. 6, 1846—By cash, through Mr. D. W. Harrison, from a friend to Missions.....	7 00
By cash, through Rev. Thomas Smyth, Monthly Concert collection, 2d Presbyterian Church, 4th Jan.....	39 15
Jan. 17th.—By cash, through Rev. Samuel Donnelly, as follows:	
From Beaver Creek Church, annual collection, in part.....	21 00
From Rev. S. Donnelly, for Foreign Missionary Paper.....	4 00
	<hr/> 25 00
Jan. 21—By cash, through Joseph Cumming, Esq. proceeds of Monthly Concert collection, of 1st Presbyterian Church, Savannah, \$34 22 cts. and 31st \$20 00	54 22
Feb. 2.—By cash, through Mr. Dickey, from Harmony Church.....	50 00
From Brewington Church.....	12 50
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By cash, through Rev. Thomas Smyth, Monthly Concert collections, 2d Presbyterian Church, 1st Feb.	42 75

Feb. 19—By cash, through Mr. Joseph Cumming, from Presbyterian Church, Bryan county, Georgia,	40 00
March 3—By cash, through Mr. John Workman, from the Bethesda Church, South Carolina.....	12 00
By cash, through Mr. John E. Bonneau, from Mr. J. B. Bull, collections of Willington Church, Abbeville, South Carolina,-----	10 00
March 18—By cash, through Rev. Thomas Smyth, Monthly Concert collection, 2d Presbyterian Church, 1st March.....	30 50
By cash, through Mr. H. Cameron, from Hopewell Presbyterian Church.....	33 75
March 20—By cash, through Mr. J. G. McLeish, from Thyatira Church, Jackson county, Georgia.....	9 07
April 1—By cash, through Rev. Thomas Smyth, an- nual collection of 2d Presbyterian Church, Charles- ton.....	127 56
April 6—By cash, through Rev. Thomas Smyth, Monthly Concert collection of 2d Presbyterian Church, Charleston. 5th April.....	55 50
April 11—By cash, through Mr. John F. Matheson, Treasurer Harmony Presbytery, collection of the Mount Zion Church.....	57 00
April 13—By cash, through Mr. Joseph K. Merry, Treasurer, as follows: Monthly Concert collections of the Presbyterian Church, Columbus, Georgia.....	67 35
Ladies Missionary Society, of Columbus, Geo. 7 65	
	75 00
April 22—By cash, from James D. McFadden and Col. Samuel R. Chandler, for Concord Church, Sumter District.....	20 00
April 24—By cash, through J. B. Hunter, Treasurer, from the Bethel Benevolent Association.....	15 00
May 4—By cash, through Rev. Mr. Hughes, Monthly Concert collection, Beach Island Church.....	16 00
By cash, through Rev. Thomas Smyth, collection of Juvenile Missionary Society, 2d Presbyterian Church,	40 90
By cash, through Rev. Thomas Smyth, Monthly Con- cert collection, 2d Presbyterian Church, 3d May,-----	41 50
May 6—By cash, through Sidney Crane, Esq. Monthly Concert collection, Presbyterian Church, Columbia, S. C.-----	50 00

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May 9—By cash, through Mr. John F. Matheson, collection Presbyterian Church, Cheraw, S. C.	50 00
May 13—By cash, through Rev. R. Post, from a friend.....	10 00
May 16—By cash, through Mr. W. P. McFadden, Hopewell Sabbath School collection.....	3 00
May 18—By cash, through Mr. John E. Bonneau, from Mr. John B. Bull, Willington Church, Monthly Concert.....	10 00
By cash, through Mr. H. G. Charles, Chairman Ex. Committee, collection of the Darlington Presbyterian Church.....	82 00
May 23—By cash, through Mr. Alexander Mitchell, collection Presbyterian Church, Darien,.....	25 13
By cash, through Mr. Alexander Mitchell, collection Presbyterian Sabbath School, Darien,	2 87
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	28 00

June 8—By cash, through A. O. Norris, Esq.
Treasurer South Carolina Presbytery, as
follows:

Synod at Pendleton.....	25 80
“ Good Hope Church.....	17 00
“ Source not noted.....	5 00

Through Chairman Com. of Finance,
at the April Session Presbytery, as
per Report.....

76 75

Balance in hands of former Treasurer:
Collections.

Greenville Church.....	1 75
Broadway.....	2 62
Medway.....	3 76
Providence.....	22 50
Rocky River.....	21 00
Roberts.....	13 00
Rock Church.....	3 75
Lebanon Church.....	19 05
Good Hope.....	12 00
Fairview.....	10 57
New Harmony.....	3 00
Interest on Reed's Legacy.....	7 00
Mrs. Simpson.....	2 00
Mrs. Dover.....	1 00
Mrs. Boyd.....	1 00

Rev. Mr. Carlile.....	5 00	
Rev. Mr. McWhorter.....	5 00	
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June 9—By cash, Monthly Concert, Second Presbyterian Church, Charleston, 7th June.....		32 38
June 25—By cash, through Rev. Edward Palmer, collection Presbyterian Church, Walterborough.....		20 00
July 10—By cash, from Mr. H. G. Charles, balance contribution of Darlington Presbyterian Church....		5 00
July 15—By cash, from Monthly Concert, 2d Presbyterian Church.....		27 90
Aug. 8—By cash, through Mr. John E. Bonneau, Monthly Concert collection, Willington Church, Abbeville,.....		10 00
Aug. 10—By cash, Monthly Concert, 2d Presbyterian Church.....		46 63
By cash, from Juvenile Missionary Society. 2d Presbyterian Church.....		40 90
Sept. 2—By cash, received in a letter, dated, "Rosswell, 24th August, 1846," for the education of Horace S. Pratt, in India.....		20 00
By cash, Monthly Concert, 2d Presbyterian Church, Charleston,.....		20 05
Oct. 5—By cash, Monthly Concert, 2d Presbyterian Church, Charleston.....		56 23
Oct. 9—By cash, through John A. Crawford, Esq. from Rev. M. D. Fraser, as follows: Monthly Concert, Presbyterian Church, at Winnsborough, from 1st June to 1st Oct. 1846, 42 00 Also, an annual donation from an aged female member of the same Church..... 2 00 Also, from the Winnsborough Female Missionary Society, to aid Missions among the Indians..... 42 00		<hr/>
		86 00
Oct. 16—By cash, through Rev. Edward Palmer, collection Presbyterian Church, Walterborough.....	10 00	
Sabbath School Scholars.....	5 00	
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Oct. 17—By cash, through Sidney Crane, Esq. Monthly Concert collection, Presbyterian Church, Columbia,		80 00
Oct. 24—By cash, through Messrs. Robinsons & Caldwell, from the Mount Olivet Missionary Society....		12 00

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Nov. 2—By cash, Monthly Concert, Second Presbyterian Church, Charleston, 1st November.....	58 39
Nov. 3—By cash, through Rev. J. S. K. Axson, from the Female Foreign Missionary Society of Midway Church, Liberty county, Georgia.....	46 50
Monthly collection, Jonesville, Retreat, Liberty county, Georgia.....	17 35
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	63 85
Nov. 9—By cash, through Joseph H. Merry, Treasurer:—Collections in the 1st Presbyterian Church, Columbus, Georgia.....	93 00
Nov. 11—By cash, from Juvenile Missionary Society of the 2d Presbyterian Church, Charleston.....	47 70
Nov. 14—By cash, through Rev. John Douglas, collection, Concord Church	10 50
Do. Trinity Church.....	39 50
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	\$2375 68

Appropriated as Follows.

Jan. 16, 1846—To paid Executive Committee order, for printing and circulating 1300 copies of Missionary articles.....	\$36 00
March 14—To paid Executive Committee order, for amount of expenses of publishing Missionary articles.....	35 75
May 22—To paid Executive Committee order, to remit the funds in hand to the Assembly's Board, remitted in James Adger & Co's. draft, on Brown, Brothers & Co. New York, favoring Rev. Daniel Wells, Treasurer, for \$1021, 68 cts. 3-4 per cent. premium.....	1029 35
Nov. 17—To paid Rev. R. Wilson, Agent, per his receipt.....	50 00
Nov. 23—To paid Executive Committee's order, in favor of Rev. Daniel Wells, Treasurer, per James Adger & Co's. draft, on Brown, Brothers & Co. New York, at sight, for \$1229, 3-8 per cent premium.....	1224 53
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JAMES ADGER, *Treasurer.*

Charleston, 23d Nov. 1846.

We have examined the within account and vouchers, and find the same to be correct.

JOHN ROBINSON,
W. C. DUKES.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

To the Synod of South Carolina, at its Session in Charleston, Nov. 1846.

The Committee of Education respectfully Report to the Synod of South Carolina, that they have discharged the duties of their appointment, during the past year, to the best of their ability. They have afforded assistance to the Beneficiaries recommended by their several Presbyteries, to the following amount.

To four Students in the Theological Seminary, and to
 one in his preparatory course, \$150 each,-----\$750 00
 To two Students of the Seminary, \$100 each,----- 200 00
 To two Students of the Seminary, \$50 each,----- 100 00

Whole amount of disbursements,-----\$1,050 00

The receipts of the Committee from Scholarships, congregations, societies and individuals, have amounted, including the balance of the interest account, and including, also, the balance on hand, to the sum of----\$1,032 00

Leaving the Committee in debt----- 18 00

\$1,050 00

So that your Committee of Education the ensuing year will enter upon their duties with a debt of eighteen dollars, and no certain resources excepting the income of the scholarships, about \$400. With such limited means, your Committee will probably be called upon to furnish support to ten beneficiaries, which will require an appropriation of fifteen hundred dollars.

Under these circumstances, Synod will perceive the necessity of liberal contributions to enable the Committee to meet the exigencies of the case. It has been the determination of your Committee to afford aid to every beneficiary, properly qualified, who might need it, and it is hoped that Synod will take measures to enable them to adhere to this purpose.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. W. LELAND,
Chairman E. C.